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## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

#### News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

##### Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, August 24.—Old "Sol," who has been hidden from us since about the first of the month, has succeeded in showing us his face again. His smile in return is greeted by every one as we had become tired of the long time of wet, drizzly and sloppy weather.

The farmers are now in their fields again to finish gathering fodder, hay, etc. Some are picking cotton, and with good weather, the gins will soon begin their hum.

What beautiful nights we are having! Some are enjoying them with auto rides; some out strolling, while most of the young folks seem to like the shadow of the old oak on the piazza, where nothing seems to bother them, unless it is the clock calling out midnight too soon.

Some thought themselves all alone the other evening as the male voice was heard to ask "who is sweet?" and a fine little voice replied "both of us." So I guess this good weather by day and by night will be best for the man with the marriage license for sale as well as the farmer.

Everybody is anticipating good results from the fight against our worst enemy, "whiskey," to be made here Thursday. We feel that we will certainly be successful, as our ladies are offering a hand in it—they don't care to vote, but want to influence the voters.

Mrs. L. P. McMillan, of Bamberg, and Mrs. Nard Carter, of Rufin, are on a visit to their mother, Mrs. F. G. Lemacks.

Messrs. Henry Ehrhardt, F. H. Copeland and R. L. Hughes enjoyed an auto ride up to Columbia Sunday, spending the day with friends.

Quite a number of our folks attended the game of ball Monday afternoon at Bamberg. The "red men" seem to be good players.

On Wednesday evening last Miss Grace Moore entertained in honor of her guests, Miss Aline Peeples, of Hampton, and Miss Beulah Hiers, of Allendale. Those invited were: Misses Beulah Hiers, Aline Peeples, Genie Ramsey, Elizabeth Roberts, Zelle Loadholt (of Fairfax), Lillian Beck, Ella Moore, Thelma Priester and Bessie Priester (of Bamberg); Messrs. Charles Henery, Henderson Fraser, Dick Roberts, Dechard, Clarence and Robert Guess, Wendell Ramsey, Clarence Moore and Edison Beck. The popular game of rook was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Aline Peeples, who has been visiting Miss Grace Moore, left Ehrhardt Saturday to visit her grandmother, Mrs. Johns, at Lodge, before returning to her home at Hampton.

Mrs. Edgar Mack, and her sister, Mrs. Smoak, of Cope, spent the week-end with their father, Rev. J. R. Smith, and family.

Miss Beulah Hiers, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. D. Sease, returned to her home at Allendale on Monday.

Miss Katherine Guess returned home last Friday, having been away some time visiting in the upper part of the State, Spartanburg and other points. Her many friends are glad to see her back.

Mrs. D. B. Groseclose and son, Paul, of Fairfax, are visiting her daughters, Mrs. J. B. Ehrhardt and Mrs. Dr. Hucks.

A most delightful evening was spent at Miss Gennie Ramsey's home Thursday. Miss Mamiedell Garre, of Colleton county, being her guest, she entertained in her honor. Music and rook were very much enjoyed. Those present were: Misses Mamiedell Garre, Corinne Smith, Aline Peeples, Grace Moore, Beulah Hiers and Lillian Beck; Messrs. Dick Roberts, Clarence Moore, Charles Henery, Edison Beck, and Dechard Guess.

##### Springtown Sprays.

Springtown, August 24.—Mr. Henry Murray Ray, of Bamberg, is the guest of Mr. Horace Ray.

Miss Deane Gillam, of Blackville, visited Miss Fannie Lou Free last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chassereau returned to their home at Yonge's Island, S. C., Monday, after spending a week at the home of Mr. W. G. Kearse. Mr. Chassereau came through in his car and reports the roads in good condition from Yonge's Island to Walterboro, but on to Bamberg they are very bad.

Mrs. Anna Kirkland and brother,

of Ulmer's, were guests of Misses Minnie and Evelyn Kirkland for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Free spent the week-end in Denmark and Bamberg. Mesdames C. B. Aull and R. L. Hughes visited their mother, Mrs. F. M. Ray, Sunday.

Mr. Wesley Kearse has gone to Yonge's Island for two weeks. Messrs W. I. and M. N. Rice are at Asheville, N. C.

Miss Elvie Kearse leaves next Monday for Statesboro, Ga., where she has accepted a position with the Trappnell-Mikell Co., in the ready-to-wear department.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chassereau and Misses Elvie and Claire Kearse motored to Fairfax last Tuesday afternoon and to Orangeburg Thursday.

##### Sassafras Sayings.

Sassafras, Aug. 24.—Miss Virginia Zeigler has just returned from a very pleasant visit to relatives and friends in Denmark.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beard, accompanied by their little son, Malone, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Beard's parents, near Colston.

Miss Rebecca Thomas has returned to her home near Smoaks, after a very pleasant stay with Miss Maggie Padgett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smoak spent Sunday with their son, Mr. C. K. Smoak.

Miss Clara Mae Grimes, of Denmark, is the charming guest of Miss Maggie Padgett.

Miss Johnnie Zeigler has just returned from a very enjoyable stay with relatives in Ehrhardt.

Mr. Gilmore Beard spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Padgett.

Messrs. S. M. Goodwin and J. B. Padgett made a trip to the Oak Grove section Monday on business.

Miss Maggie Padgett, Miss Clara Mae Grimes and Mr. Gilmore Beard enjoyed a very pleasant outing to Clear Pond Sunday afternoon. They described the scenery as being most exquisite while watching the sunset on the crystal waters.

Miss Maggie Padgett entertained Tuesday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Clara Mae Grimes. The following were present: Misses Mattie, Ebbie and Addrine Goodwin, Blanche Crider, Johnnie and Virginia Zeigler; Messrs. Elige and Gehu Goodwin and Connor Smoak.

Mr. J. B. Padgett visited Bamberg Monday on business.

Mr. J. T. Smoak went to Bamberg Monday.

Miss Florine Hughes has returned from a few days' stay with relatives at Oak Grove.

Messrs. C. K. and Connor Smoak were seen in Bamberg Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beard spent Thursday night and Friday at the home of Mr. J. B. Padgett.

Misses Maggie Padgett and Clara Mae Grimes made a flying trip to Bamberg Monday morning.

Miss Inez Morris, from Ashton, is a charming guest in the home of Mr. S. M. Goodwin.

A reception was held by Misses Johnnie and Virginia Zeigler on Saturday evening in honor of Miss Inez Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Padgett attended the meeting at Pleasant Hill Thursday afternoon.

The folks around Sassafras Grove spent a most enjoyable day at the beautiful Glendale spring, near Bamberg on Tuesday last. Among those present were the families of Mr. S. M. Goodwin, Mr. C. K. Smoak, Mr. J. T. Smoak, Mr. J. B. Padgett and Mr. J. J. Hughes. There were quite a number of visitors, about fifty-six in all. The day was a great source of pleasure to both young and old. Many striking views of the spring and those around it were obtained by Mr. Elige Goodwin with his camera.

Listen! You can almost hear the wedding bells ringing around Sassafras Grove, as all the young men were out driving Sunday afternoon with from one to three girls. Hurrah for the good old summer time!

##### Olar News.

Olar, August 24.—The young girls of Olar enjoyed a pleasant ride to Barker's mill to go in bathing Monday afternoon.

Miss Lylete Wilson, of Fairfax, is the charming guest of Miss Delma Cooke.

Miss Dessie Waters has returned to her home in Statesboro, Ga., after a pleasant stay with Misses Alma and Flossie Layne.

Misses Lila Lancaster, Inez Browning, and Mildred Lee were the guests of Mrs. Willie Browning last Thursday night and Friday.

Miss Mamie Clark has just re-

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

### SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading.—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

Lawrence McLaughlin, a young boy, was knocked down by an automobile at St. Matthews Sunday. He was not seriously hurt.

The third triennial convention of the Association for the Study and Prevention of Pellagra will meet in Columbia on October 20 and 21.

A car about midway a 90-car coal train on the C. C. & O., near Spartanburg on Friday, became overbalanced, left the track and drew 13 other cars after it. No one was injured.

Paymaster General Samuel McGowan, of the U. S. navy, a native of South Carolina, has been promoted to pay director, to succeed Pay Director Mitchell C. McDonald, who will retire on September 23.

Miss Hattie Emma Sammonds was instantly killed in an automobile accident near Greenville Sunday. She and a party had started to a country church. When they attempted to pass a buggy, the machine was run into a ditch concealed by weeds. The car step crushed against her neck.

In the second primary for nominating the successor to Congressman Joseph T. Johnson, in the fourth district, Tuesday, Sam J. Nicholls received 9,494 votes and B. A. Morgan received 8,919 votes, according to returns received up to a late hour Tuesday night. The remaining boxes not heard from will not change the result, it is stated.

W. A. Sauls, judge of probate of Jasper county, has the distinction of having lived in three counties without ever moving out of one house. He lived at the old home place first in Beaufort county, then Hampton was formed and the judge was included in the new area; then Jasper was created, and his home was then in that county.

turned to her home at Earle, S. C., after visiting Misses Belle Cooke and Jessie Zorn.

Miss Daisy Rizer and Mrs. Paul Cooke have just returned from Glenn Springs.

Mrs. C. F. Rizer and Miss Zelma Rizer spent the day in Columbia last Thursday.

Miss Eloise Brabham is now in Atlanta.

Miss Mildred Kearse, of Varnville, S. C., is on an extended visit at her aunt's, Mrs. W. B. Creech's.

Dr. G. L. Williams spent Sunday and Monday in Norway.

Miss Leida Williams spent Monday in town at Mrs. O. B. Layne's.

The Methodist revival meeting is being carried on this week.

Mr. Bernice Barker, of Fairfax, spent the day in town Sunday.

Dr. Wright, of Fairfax, is visiting Mr. F. C. Chitty.

Mrs. Achille Sassard and children have just returned from visiting relatives in Charleston.

A large number of the Olar people were in Bamberg Monday afternoon to see a game of ball.

##### Ehrhardt Folks Attend Picnic.

Ehrhardt, August 23.—A party of Ehrhardt folks joined in a big barbecue picnic last Thursday at Dunbarton, given by three fraternal orders of that place, the Masons, Knights of Pythias and the W. O. W. The story they all tell seems too good for all to be true. They must have had a dandy time, for they have talked about the trip ever since they returned. They state that Barnwell certainly has some fine roads. Bamberg seems to be far behind with her road work, compared with her sister counties.

##### Branchville Bolts.

Branchville, August 22.—Little Sammie McAlhane, who has been at the hospital in Charleston for about a week, is said to be improving.

There was a large crowd out to the Sardis picnic on last Thursday. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

We are glad to see Mr. Earl Smoak out on the streets again after being confined to his room for about a week from being hit on the head by a base ball.

Mr. George McAlhane, R. F. D. 1, had business in Orangeburg on Friday.

Mr. Henry W. Smoak and family of R. F. D. 4, spent the week-end in

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## ELECTION WILL BE HELD.

### Act Upheld by Supreme Court Justices and Circuit Judges.

Columbia, August 21.—The supreme court justices and the circuit judges of the State this afternoon unanimously handed down a decision refusing to enjoin the prohibition referendum election set for September 14 and refused the petition of John Henry Chappell, taxpayer, of Newberry, who asked for the injunction. The decision was rendered immediately after the en banc session had adjourned and after consultation.

When informed of the refusal of the court to enjoin the prohibition election former Governor Blease, of counsel for petitioner, would make no comment. When asked if they contemplated taking an appeal to the United States supreme court on the matter of the federal constitutionality of the referendum act he said that he and his associate, Frank G. Tompkins, had not yet conferred and had not reached any decision.

The order of the court follows: "John Henry Chappell, petitioner, vs. R. M. McCown, secretary of State, et. al.

"Order upon hearing argument herein and upon consideration thereof, we are of opinion that the injunction be refused, and it is so ordered.

"The immediate pendency of the election forbids us to reduce to writing the reasons for our judgment; that will be done hereafter, and so soon as the circumstances shall permit of it.

(Signed.) "Eugene B. Gary, chief justice, D. E. Hydrick, A. J. R. C. Watts, A. J. T. B. Fraser, A. J. George W. Gage, A. J. George E. Prince, judge 10th circuit, H. F. Rice, judge 2nd circuit, T. S. Sease, judge 7th circuit, S. W. G. Shipp, judge 12th circuit, J. W. Devore, circuit judge, Frank B. Gary, judge 8th circuit, John S. Wilson, judge 3rd circuit, I. W. Bowman, judge 1st circuit, Ernest Moore, judge 6th circuit, Mendel L. Smith, judge 5th circuit."

The justices of the supreme court, and the circuit judges of the State sitting en banc here this morning heard the petition of John Henry Chappell, a taxpayer of Newberry, for injunction restraining the prohibition referendum election on September 14. The injunction is asked for on the ground that the act is unconstitutional in that the legislature cannot delegate its duties to the people, and because the expenditure of \$34,500 of the taxpayers' money for holding the election would be contrary to law.

The petitioner was represented by Frank G. Tompkins and Cole L. Blease, former governor. The State officers and board of election commissioners were represented by Thos. H. Peeples, attorney general, and Fred H. Dominick, assistant attorney general. "D. W. Robinson and W. B. DeLoach, of Camden, were granted permission to file certain authorities on behalf of the prohibitionists.

Each side was allowed forty-five minutes with ten minutes given the petitioner, for reply. Mr. Tompkins opened for the petitioner, stressing the ground that the legislature cannot submit its functions and delegate its duties to the people, and contending that the act calling for the referendum is in violation both of the constitution of the United States and of the State of South Carolina.

Assistant Attorney General Dominick presented the side of the constitutionality and legality of the referendum, piling up a mass of authorities and contending that the legislature could submit such a question to the people, the source of all authority. He cited decisions of the South Carolina courts in which they have refused to interfere with elections by injunctions, saying no such action had ever been taken by the courts of this State. He contended that the petitioner had an ample remedy at law other than by applying for an injunction. He said the question was a political one and that the courts had uniformly taken the position that the settlement of a political question was one with which they had nothing to do.

Former Governor Blease made a vigorous reply in his ten minutes of time. The question, he said, is strictly a legal and not a political one. "If I had wanted to make it a public issue I could have received in the months of July and August a greater salary than the chief justice of this court," he declared, asserting that if the question were entirely political the place to settle it would be on the stump and not before the courts.

## WILL FURNISH \$30,000,000

### GOLD TO BE PLACED IN SOUTH-ERN RESERVE BANKS.

#### This Would Enable Banks to Rediscount Loans on Cotton Secured by Warehouse Receipts.

Washington, August 23.—Treasury officials tonight made public an announcement by Secretary McAdoo that, in view of the action of the allies in putting cotton on the contraband list, he would, if it became necessary, deposit \$30,000,000 or more in gold in the federal reserve banks in Atlanta, Dallas and Richmond for the purpose of enabling the reserve banks to rediscount loans on cotton secured by warehouse receipts made by national banks and State banks belonging to the federal reserve system.

The gold would be deposited temporarily, at least, without interest charge. It was explained that if it appeared that the object could be accomplished with greater efficiency thereby, the deposits would be made directly with national banks agreeing to lend the money on cotton at a rate not to exceed 6 per cent.

Secretary McAdoo authorized the announcement from his summer home at North Haven, Maine. It came at the close of a day of speculation in official circles as to the nature of steps which the entente powers have indicated they will take to uphold the cotton market in the face of their contraband order.

##### Secretary's Statement.

"In the exercise of the discretion given to him by law," read the treasury statement, "Secretary McAdoo said that the government will, for the time being, charge no interest on these deposits in federal reserve banks; that such action is justified by the unusual situation respecting cotton caused by the European war; that he considers it his duty to use every available means to help the cotton producer of the South in the circumstances; that it is a matter of economic importance to the entire nation that those who have produced the cotton crop shall have a fair opportunity to dispose of it gradually and in an orderly manner so they may not be forced, through inability to market their cotton gradually, to sell it at sacrifice prices.

"The secretary said that one of his chief objects was to create a basis for such enlarged credit in the South that the banks will have ample resources to extend to producers such accommodations that they will be able to carry cotton in warehouses for a reasonable length of time until it can be marketed advantageously.

##### In Order to Do This.

"In order to accomplish this, he said, the national and State banks which are members of the federal reserve system should make loans on warehouse receipts for insured cotton at low rates of interest; that the banks can well afford to carry cotton for producers at 6 per cent., especially if they are able to rediscount cotton paper at the federal reserve banks at a much lower rate than 6 per cent.; that the credit resources of the banks of the country are greater than ever before in our history and that there is no reason why the banks should not, in cooperation with the merchants of the South, help the cotton producers with loans at low rates in the present peculiar situation.

"The federal reserve board, the secretary said, had a right to determine the rate of interest which the federal reserve banks can charge member banks on notes or loans secured by insured and warehoused cotton rediscounted with federal reserve banks.

##### Sure of Cooperation.

"He has been unable to consult his colleagues of the federal reserve board on account of his absence from Washington, but feels confident of their cooperation in every reasonable way.

"Mr. McAdoo said, however, that should it appear that the object in view could be accomplished with greater efficiency to the cotton producers, the merchants and the banks of the South by depositing government funds in the national banks direct instead of in the federal reserve banks, he would take that course and make deposits in such national banks as would give him the assurance that the money so deposited or the credit based thereon would be loaned on cotton insured or warehoused and at a rate of interest not to exceed 6 per cent.

"The secretary declared he believed that there was no occasion for

## COTTON MADE CONTRABAND.

### England Puts It on Absolute List and France Will Take Same Action.

London, August 21.—Cotton has been declared absolute contraband by Great Britain, according to a statement issued by the foreign office this afternoon.

The statement declares that the government proposes to initiate measures to relieve depression which might temporarily disturb the cotton market because of the contraband order.

It was learned upon inquiry at the foreign office that the French government will issue a similar notice early tomorrow.

##### The announcement follows:

"His majesty's government has declared cotton absolute contraband. While the circumstances might have justified such action at an earlier period, his majesty's government are glad to think that local conditions of American interests likely to be affected are more favorable for such a step than they were a year ago, and, moreover, his majesty's government contemplate initiation of measures to relieve as far as possible any abnormal depression which might temporarily disturb market conditions."

##### The declaration is effective from today.

A royal proclamation concerning the action was published in a supplement of the London Gazette issued tonight. It is very brief. After a preamble citing previous proclamations concerning contraband, it says: "Now, therefore, we do hereby declare, by and with the advice of our privy council, that during the continuance of the war, or until we do give further public notice, the following articles will be treated as absolute contraband in addition to those set out in our royal proclamation aforementioned:

##### "Raw cotton, cotton linters, cotton waste and cotton yarn.

"And we do hereby further declare that this, our royal proclamation, shall take effect from the date of its publication in the London Gazette."

The proclamation was signed yesterday by King George.

##### LATEST FIGURES ON STORM.

#### The Known Dead in Texas is Placed at 256.

Galveston, Texas, August 21.—A total of 256 known dead among residents of Southeast Texas coast points and crews of wrecked craft of all kinds; sixty-five persons missing, many of whom are believed to have perished; and damage to crops, buildings, railroads, shipping, live stock and other property aggregating close to fifty million dollars, was the toll taken by the hurricane which swept this section last Monday and Tuesday.

These figures were reached from a careful compilation made tonight of what are considered the most authentic reports of the loss of life and property received since the cessation of the storm.

Of the known dead, 194 were residents of the Gulf coast section and 62 were drowned when the vessels they were aboard sank. Forty-three of the missing were members of boat crews.

Those who perished on Galveston Island, including eight in the city proper, numbered 53, and ten are still reported missing from the island.

Galveston's share of the property loss is placed at approximately \$6,000,000.

Reports received here indicate conditions again are approaching normal throughout the Gulf coast.

Divers today reported they had found the leak in the submerged main which brings the city water supply from the pumping station at Alta Loma.

Mayor Fisher said the engineers reported that a new section of pipe could be substituted within forty-eight hours.

There are in the world no fewer than 652,000,000 sheep, of which number Australia holds 93,000,000 and New Zealand 24,000,000.

Glendale springs water for sale at Herndon's Grocery Store and Mack's Drug Store.—adv.

alarm about the future of cotton, and that if the bankers and merchants would cooperate with each other and with the cotton producers of the South in a spirit of patriotism and mutual regard for each other's welfare the situation could be handled with happy results to all concerned. He expressed the earnest hope that this would be done."